

# MSDS 6098 Thesis

Fall 2016 and Spring 2017

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**CLASS DAYS and TIME:** By arrangement.

**CLASSROOM:** None

**COURSE FACULTY:** Dr. Thomas Deahl (director) and any faculty serving as supervising professor in the MSDS Graduate Faculty

**OFFICE LOCATION and HOURS:** 2.573U Monday through Thursday, 8:00-9:00 AM and 12:00-1:00 PM

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## COURSE DESCRIPTION AND OBJECTIVES

Include the course description from the course catalog as well as any requirements for adhering to HIPAA or lab, environmental, health, and safety regulations, if applicable.

**Pre-requisites** – All of the following: MSDS Research 1 Project Proposal; Research 2 Data Collection; and Research 3 Data Analysis.

**Semester credit hours** – 4

By the end of this course, each student should be able to:

- Orally present and defend a thesis project.
- Write a thesis or publishable manuscript in a peer-reviewed journal of the appropriate discipline, meeting the format and content specifications of the chosen publication format.

## COURSE ORGANIZATION

**The main teaching modalities used in this course include:**

- 1) Independent study
- 2) Faculty-student meetings
- 3) Public defense: Rehearsal and presentation

**Materials** – None.

**Computer Access** – Any personal computer with a word processor.

**Reading Assignments** – As developed by the supervising professor and faculty.

## ATTENDANCE

Both student and faculty should keep scheduled appointments, or provide adequate notice for changes.

## TEXTBOOKS

**Required:** None.

**Recommended:** None.

## GRADING POLICIES AND EXAMINATION PROCEDURES

The grade will be determined by the supervising professor in consultation with the student's supervising committee. The grade should be based on the student's performance in preparing and defending the thesis. "Satisfactory" should be awarded in the case of a supervising-committee-approved thesis defense.

### Grading System

Available final grades are:

Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory

## REQUESTS FOR ACCOMODATIONS FOR DISABILITIES

In accordance with policy 4.2.3, **Request for Accommodation Under the ADA and the ADA Amendments Act of 2008 (ADAAA)**, any student requesting accommodation must submit the appropriate request for accommodation under the American with Disabilities Act (ADA, form 100). to his/her appropriate Associate Dean of their School and a copy to the ADA Coordinator. Additional information may be obtained at <http://uthscsa.edu/eoo/request.asp>.

## ACADEMIC INTEGRITY AND PROFESSIONALISM

Any student who commits an act of academic dishonesty is subject to discipline as prescribed by the UT System Rules and Regulations of the Board of Regents. Academic dishonesty includes, but is not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an exam for another person, signing attendance sheets for another student, and any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such an act. Additional information may be obtained at <http://catalog.uthscsa.edu/generalinformation/generalacademicpolicies/academicdishonestypolicy/>

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Title of the Education Amendments of 1972 is a federal law that prohibits sex discrimination in education. It reads "no person in the United States shall, on the basis of sex, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to discrimination under any education program or activity receiving Federal financial assistance."

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University of Texas Health Science Center San Antonio (UTHSCSA) is committed to maintaining a learning environment that is free from discriminatory conduct based on gender. As required by Title IX, UTHSCSA does not discriminate on the basis of sex in its education programs and activities, and it encourages any student, faculty, or staff member who thinks that he or she has been subjected to sex discrimination, sexual harassment (including sexual violence) or sexual misconduct to immediately report the incident to the Title IX Director.

In an emergency, victims of sexual abuse should call 911. For non-emergencies, they may contact UPD at 210-567-2800. Additional information may be obtained at <http://students.uthscsa.edu/titleix/>

## EMAIL POLICY

N/A.

**USE OF RECORDING DEVICES**

N/A

**ELECTRONIC DEVICES**

N/A

**TENTATIVE CLASS SCHEDULE**  
**COURSE SUBJECT and COURSE NUMBER**  
**COURSE TITLE**  
**SEMESTER and YEAR**

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WEEK	DATE	TOPIC	Assignment	Instructor and Modality
Week 1				
Week 2				
Week 3				
Week 4				
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Week 6				
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